

IN THE CLAIMS**Complete listing of the claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A data printing system, comprising:

an image capturing apparatus, including a memory for storing individual unit identification information of said image capturing apparatus and an information transmitting unit for transmitting the individual unit identification information and captured image data, wherein the individual unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus;

a print service administration apparatus, connected to a network, for administering image data printing and for receiving image data recorded by said image capturing apparatus, wherein the print service administration apparatus includes an input unit for inputting the individual unit identification information and the image data transmitted from the image capturing apparatus, and an order reception ID issuing unit for issuing a unique order reception ID when the individual unit identification information is not transmitted; and

a print processing apparatus, connected to said network, for executing a printing process in accordance with an instruction from said print service administration apparatus via the network, the printing process by said print processing apparatus being administered by establishing a logical linkage between the individual unit identification information or the unique order reception ID and the image data;

~~wherein said individual unit identification information and said image data are transmitted from said image capturing apparatus to said print service administration apparatus; and said printing process by said print processing apparatus is administered by establishing a logical linkage between said individual unit identification information and said image data.~~

2. (Original) The data printing system of claim 1, wherein said print service administration apparatus administers said printing process in accordance with said image data and corresponding order receiving ID.

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3. (Original) The data printing system of claim 1, wherein said print service administration apparatus includes a means for notifying to a user of said printing system a ready state to provide a printed copy of said image data.
4. (Currently Amended) The data printing system of claim 1, wherein said individual unit identification information further includes provider identification information ~~and independent manufacturing information.~~
5. (Original) The data printing system of claim 4, wherein said provider identification information and said independent manufacturing information are those defined in USB 2.0 standards.
6. (Original) The data printing system of claim 1, wherein said image data is stored in an image data recording area of a data file and said individual unit identification information is stored either in a header part or in a job descriptor part of said data file.
7. (Original) The data printing system of claim 6, wherein said image data and said individual unit identification information are stored in said data file in accordance with DPOF standards.
8. (Original) The data printing system of claim 6, wherein at least a part of said individual unit identification information is stored in a vendor unique portion of said job descriptor part.
9. (Original) The data printing system of claim 1, wherein said image data is stored in an image data recording area of a data file and said individual unit identification information is stored in a tag portion of a data file.
10. (Currently Amended) The data printing system of claim 9, wherein said image data and said individual unit identification information are ~~store~~ stored in said data file in accordance with Exif standards.

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11 - 22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) A print service reception processing apparatus, capable of a communication with an image capturing apparatus, comprising:

an image data upload means for reading image data stored in said image capturing apparatus;

an identification information reading means for reading individual unit identification information which is stored in said image capturing apparatus, wherein the individual unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus; and

a transmission means for transmitting said image data and said individual unit identification information through a network; and

an order reception ID issuing unit for issuing a unique order reception ID when the individual unit identification information is not received.

24. (Original) The print service reception processing apparatus of claim 23, wherein said print service reception processing apparatus requests said image capturing apparatus to transmit said individual unit identification information.

25. (Original) The print service reception processing apparatus of claim 23, wherein said print service reception processing apparatus executes a process to relate said image data to said individual unit identification information.

26. (Original) The print service reception processing apparatus of claim 23, comprising:

a display means for displaying an image in accordance with said image data read by said image data upload means;

an image selection input means for inputting a selection of an image from images displayed in said display means;

an order input means for inputting a print order of said image selected by said image selection input means; and

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an order information generation means for generating a piece of order information which is related to said individual unit identification information in accordance with said print order;

wherein said transmission means transmits said order information to other information processing apparatus.

27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently Amended) A print service administration apparatus, comprising:

an identification information receiving means for receiving individual unit identification information of an image capturing apparatus owned by a customer, wherein the individual unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus;

an image data receiving means for receiving image data of said image capturing apparatus; and

an order reception ID issuing unit for issuing a unique order reception ID when the individual unit identification information is not received; and

an image data storing means for storing said image data in relation to said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID.

29. (Original) The print service administration apparatus of claim 28, wherein said individual unit identification information includes provider identification information and independent manufacturing identification information.

30. (Original) The print service administration apparatus of claim 28, comprising:

an access ID receiving means for receiving an access ID transmitted from a client terminal which is connected to a network;

a comparison means for comparing said access ID with said individual unit identification information and for generating a comparison result; and

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an access restriction means for restricting an access from said client terminal in accordance with said comparison result.

31. (Original) The print service administration apparatus of claim 28, comprising:

an image data generation means for generating display image data for display in accordance with said image data received by said image data receiving means; and
a display image transmission means for transmitting said display image data.

32. (Original) The print service administration apparatus of claim 29, comprising:

an advertisement information memory means for storing advertisement information;
a display advertisement information generation means for generating display advertisement information for display in accordance with said provider identification information and said advertisement information; and
a display advertisement information transmission means for transmitting said display advertisement information.

33. (Original) The print service administration apparatus of claim 28, comprising:

a personal information receiving means for receiving personal information; and
a personal information memory means for storing said personal information in relation to said individual unit identification information.

34. (Original) The print service administration apparatus of claim 28, comprising:

a print order information receiving means for receiving print order information of said image data; and
a print order information memory means for storing said print order information in relation to said individual unit identification information.

35. (Original) The print service administration apparatus of claim 34, comprising:

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a print order processing state memory means for storing a print order processing state in accordance with said print order information in relation to said individual unit identification information; and

a print order processing state transmission means for transmitting said print order processing state in response to a reference request with said individual unit identification information.

36. (Currently Amended) A print processing apparatus, comprising:

an identification information receiving means for receiving individual unit identification information of an image capturing apparatus owned by a customer, wherein the individual unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus;

an order reception ID issuing unit for issuing a unique order reception ID substitute for the individual unit identification information when the individual unit identification information is not received;

an image data receiving means for receiving image data which has a relationship with said individual unit identification information;

a first image forming means for forming an image in a memory medium in accordance with said image data; and

a second image forming means for recording said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID in said memory medium or for forming an image in said memory medium in correspondence with said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID.

37. (Original) The print processing apparatus of claim 36, wherein said individual unit identification information includes provider identification information and independent manufacturing identification information.

38. (Original) The print processing apparatus of claim 36, comprising:

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an advertisement information memory means for storing advertisement information which is in relation to provider identification information of said individual unit identification information; and

an advertisement image selection means for selecting advertisement image data in correspondence with said provider identification information;

wherein said first image forming means forms an image in accordance with said advertisement image data selected by said advertisement image selection means.

39. (Original) The print processing apparatus of claim 36, comprising:

an individual unit identification information detection means for detecting said individual unit identification information in accordance with said individual unit identification information, stored in said memory medium, or said image, formed in said memory medium in correspondence with said individual unit identification information; and

a recording medium processing means for processing said recording medium, in which said image is formed, in accordance with said individual unit identification information detected by said individual unit identification information detection means.

40 - 48. (Canceled)

49. (Currently Amended) A print service method in use with a network to which there are connected an image capturing apparatus for capturing and recording image data; a print service administration apparatus for administering a print process of said image data; and a print processing apparatus for printing an image in response to a command from said print service administration apparatus, comprising the steps of:

transmitting said image data, captured and recorded by said image capturing apparatus, and individual unit identification information, being unique to each of said image capturing apparatus, to said print service administration apparatus in which said image data and said individual unit identification information are related to each other, wherein the individual unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus;

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storing information, which is sent from said image capturing apparatus, into said print service administration apparatus; and

issuing a unique order reception ID substitute for the individual unit identification information when the individual unit identification information is not transmitted; and

transmitting said image data, corresponding to said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID, from said print service administration apparatus to said print processing apparatus when said print service administration apparatus receives said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID together with a printing order.

50. (Original) The print service method of claim 49, wherein a print service reception processing apparatus for uploading said image data to said print service administration apparatus is connected to said network; and said print service reception processing apparatus transmits said image data, captured and stored by said image capturing apparatus, and said individual unit identification information to said print service administration apparatus in which said image data and individual unit identification information are related to each other.

51. (Original) The print service method of claim 49, comprising the step of:

notifying to a user of said print service method a ready state to provide a printed copy of said image data.

52. (Canceled)

53. (Currently Amended) A print service reception processing method in use with a print service reception processing apparatus which is connected to a network, comprising the steps of:

reading image data which is captured by an image capturing apparatus;

reading individual unit identification information, being unique to each of said image capturing apparatus and preloaded to said image capturing apparatus, wherein the individual

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unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus; and
issuing a unique order reception ID substitute for the individual unit identification information when the individual unit identification information is not read; and
transmitting said image data and said individual unit identification information or the order reception ID through said network.

54. (Original) The print service reception processing method of claim 53, wherein said print service reception processing apparatus reads said image data and said individual unit identification information by communicating with said image capturing apparatus.

55. (Original) The print service reception processing method of claim 54, comprising the step of:

requesting to said image capturing apparatus a transmittance of said individual unit identification information.

56. (Original) The print service reception processing method of claim 53, wherein said print service reception processing apparatus is capable of being coupled with a memory medium; and said print service reception processing apparatus reads said image data and said individual unit identification information which are stored in said memory medium.

57. (Original) The print service reception processing method of claim 53, comprising the step of:

relating said image data to said individual unit identification information.

58. (Original) The print service reception processing method of claim 53, comprising the steps of:

displaying images in accordance with said image data;
inputting a selection of an image from said images;
inputting a print order of said image selected by said selection;

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generating order information in relation to said individual unit identification information in accordance with said print order; and
transmitting said order information.

59. (Currently Amended) A print service administration method in use with a print service administration apparatus which is connected to a network, comprising the steps of:

receiving individual unit identification information of an image capturing apparatus owned by a customer, wherein the individual unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus;

receiving image data from said image capturing apparatus; ~~and~~
issuing a unique order reception ID substitute for the individual unit identification information when the individual unit identification information is not received; and

storing said image data in relation to said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID.

60. (Original) The print service administration method of claim 59, comprising the steps of:

receiving an access ID transmitted from a client terminal which is connected to said network;

comparing said access ID with said individual unit identification information and for generating a comparison result; and

restricting an access from said client terminal in accordance with said comparison result.

61. (Original) The print service administration method of claim 59, comprising the steps of:

generating display image data for display in accordance with said image data received by said image data receiving means; and

transmitting said display image data.

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62. (Original) The print service administration method of claim 59, wherein said individual unit identification information includes provider identification information, comprising the steps of:

generating display advertisement information for display in accordance with said provider identification information and said advertisement information; and
transmitting said display advertisement information.

63. (Original) The print service administration method of claim 59, comprising the steps of:
receiving personal information; and
storing said personal information in relation to said individual unit identification information.

64. (Original) The print service administration method of claim 59, comprising the steps of:
receiving print order information of said image data; and
storing said print order information in relation to said individual unit identification information.

65. (Original) The print service administration method of claim 64, comprising the steps of:
storing a print order processing state in accordance with said print order information in relation to said individual unit identification information; and
transmitting said print order processing state in response to a reference request with said individual unit identification information.

66. (Currently Amended) A print processing method, comprising the steps of:
receiving individual unit identification information of an image capturing apparatus owned by a customer, wherein the individual unit identification information includes independent manufacturing information to identify the image capturing apparatus from other image capturing apparatus;
receiving image data which has a relationship with said individual unit identification information;

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issuing a unique order reception ID substitute from the individual unit identification information when the individual unit identification information is not received;

forming an image in a memory medium in accordance with said image data; and
recording said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID in said memory medium or for forming an image in said memory medium in correspondence with said individual unit identification information or said order reception ID.

67. (Original) The print processing method of claim 66, comprising the steps of:

selecting advertisement image data in correspondence with provider identification information which is included in said individual unit identification information;

forming an image in accordance with said advertisement image data selected by said step of selecting said advertisement image data.

68. (Original) The print processing method of claim 66, comprising the steps of:

detecting said individual unit identification information in accordance with said individual unit identification information, recorded in said memory medium, or said image, formed in said memory medium in correspondence with said individual unit identification information; and

processing said recording medium, in which said image is formed, in accordance with said individual unit identification information detected by said step of detecting said individual unit identification information.

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